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## What's the Deal with WOTC?

The **Work Opportunity Tax Credit** or WOTC is not a new program. It's a federal tax credit available to employers for hiring individuals from certain target groups.

The program is intended to increase opportunities for people who have certain barriers to employment.

If you are considering hiring someone in one of the "target groups" listed below, your company could receive a federal tax credit of up

to \$9,600.

These are the target groups of job seekers who can qualify an employer for the WOTC:

- Unemployed Veterans (including disabled veterans)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Recipients
- · Food Stamp (SNAP) Recipients
- Designated Community Residents (living in Empowerment Zones or Rural Renewal Counties)
- Vocational Rehabilitation Referred Individuals
- Ex-Felons
- · Supplemental Security Income Recipients
- Summer Youth Employees (living in Empowerment Zones)
- Qualified Long-Term Unemployment Recipient

The employer and the job seeker must complete the necessary forms on or before the day the employer offers employment.

Click <u>here</u> for more information on WOTC.

Be sure to visit our new EMPLOYER EVENTS page for the latest information on upcoming sponsorship and participation opportunities for job fairs, as well as other hiring and HR informational meetings.